

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

TO USUN NEW YORK 1018

INFO USIA WASHDC

SECSTATE WASHDC 2395

AMCONSUL DURBAN

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FOR AMBASSADOR WHITE FROM AMBASSADOR BOWDLER

E.O.11652: N/A GDS

TAGS: OTRA SF

SUBJECT: IWY - GRAHAMSTOWN CONFERENCE

REFERENCE: (A) USUN 3306; (B) PRETORIA 2660; (C) PRETORIA 2895

1. INFORMATION WE HAVE DEVELOPED CONCERNING THE IWY - GRAHAMSTOWN CONFERENCE (REFTEL C) INDICATES THAT WHILE IT WILL BE MULTI-RACIAL TO SOME EXTENT, THERE IS DANGER OF IT DEVELOPING AN EXCLUSIVE, POSSIBLY ELITIST, CHARACTER. BLACK REPRESENTATION IS LIKELY TO BE LIMITED BY DECISION WITHIN SA BLACK COMMUNITY REGARDING ADVISABILITY OF ATTENDANCE AND BY RELATIVELY HIGH COSTS.

2. CONSIDERABLE PUBLIC CONTROVERSY ABOUT CONFERENCE MAY WELL DEVELOP AND DRAW LIVELY LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION. EVEN "UNOFFICIAL" PRESENCE OF USG OFFICIALS AMONG SPECIALLY HONORED GUESTS COULD PLACE USG IN MIDST OF CONTROVERSY AND BE SUBJECT TO HARMFUL MISINTERPRETATION BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE SOUTH AFRICA.

3. FOR THESE REASONS I THINK ADVANTAGES OF YOUR PARTICIPATION ARE OUTWEIGHED BY DISADVANTAGES.

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